

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  WESTERN IOWA POWER COOPERATIVE	DOCKET NO. TCU-98-2
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**ORDER APPROVING WITHDRAWAL**

(Issued May 10, 2001)

On February 17, 1998, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order approving the application of Western Iowa Power Cooperative (Western) to provide local exchange service in Iowa. The order was issued in Docket No. TCU-98-2. The order stated that Western was required to file proposed tariffs before it would be granted a certificate to provide local exchange service.

On May 8, 2001, Western filed a request to withdraw its application. Western stated that it will not be pursuing further action on its application at this time and will re-file an application in the event its plans change.

The Board finds that the withdrawal of the application is reasonable since Western has indicated it will not be offering local exchange service at this time. Western has also indicated it will re-file the application if its plans change.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The request to withdraw the application to provide local exchange service filed by Western Iowa Power Cooperative on May 8, 2001, is approved.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2001.